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MEMORANDUM FOR: Historical Officers and Writers
in the CIA Historical Program

FROM : Chief, CIA Historical Staff

SUBJECT : Chronology 1946-65

1. The CIA Historical Staff has recently compiled and published for your use the attached Chronology 1946-65, Volumes I and II.

2. You will note that events of historical interest have been tabulated in four parallel columns in chronological order--one column each for international, national, community, and CIA events. The page is designed to facilitate the identification of related incidents.

3. The Chronology is not, of course, intended to take the place of basic documents that would normally be researched and exploited by the historical writer. It should, however, be useful in providing the writer with a quick, general survey of the events of broad interest that occurred during a given time period.

4. This Chronology is a first edition based on data currently available to the CIA Historical Staff. Readers having information that would assist the Staff in refining or correcting entries in this edition are invited to communicate with the CIA Historical Staff, 203 Key Bldg., [redacted]

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5. I trust you will find this tool useful in your historical research and writing, and I welcome your comments and suggestions.

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Excerpt from Memorandum from Historical Officer, NE Division, dated 27 May 1970:

"In order for the Division to meet the 30 September 1971 deadline for submission of draft histories to the Executive Secretary, we feel that it is mandatory that we utilize a format which will correspond largely to a briefing paper such as might be written for a new Chief of Station or other Division officer with a need-to-know the highlights of a Station within the Division's responsibility. Such a paper will necessarily omit heavily detailed information which can best be gleaned from the pertinent area branch or desk, and will indicate the most important points of operational climate, changes in the Related Mission Directives and other Operational Instructions, liaison relationships (both host and third country), the most important points of significant operations and activities, etc. We feel that the [redacted] Station paper, submitted for review to the Executive Secretary on 26 May 1970, is an example of the type of paper desired for our Historical Program." 25X1

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